

Dedicated Outdoor Air Applications at the Hauptman-Woodward Medical Research Institute

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Mechanical Redesign

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Building Background

General Information

- Biomedical Laboratory with mixed office/classroom space
- Location: Buffalo, NY
- Size: 73,000 ft²
- Project Cost: \$24,000,000
- Procurement Type: Cost-Plus Fee
- Project Completion: May 2005



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Architects and Engineers:

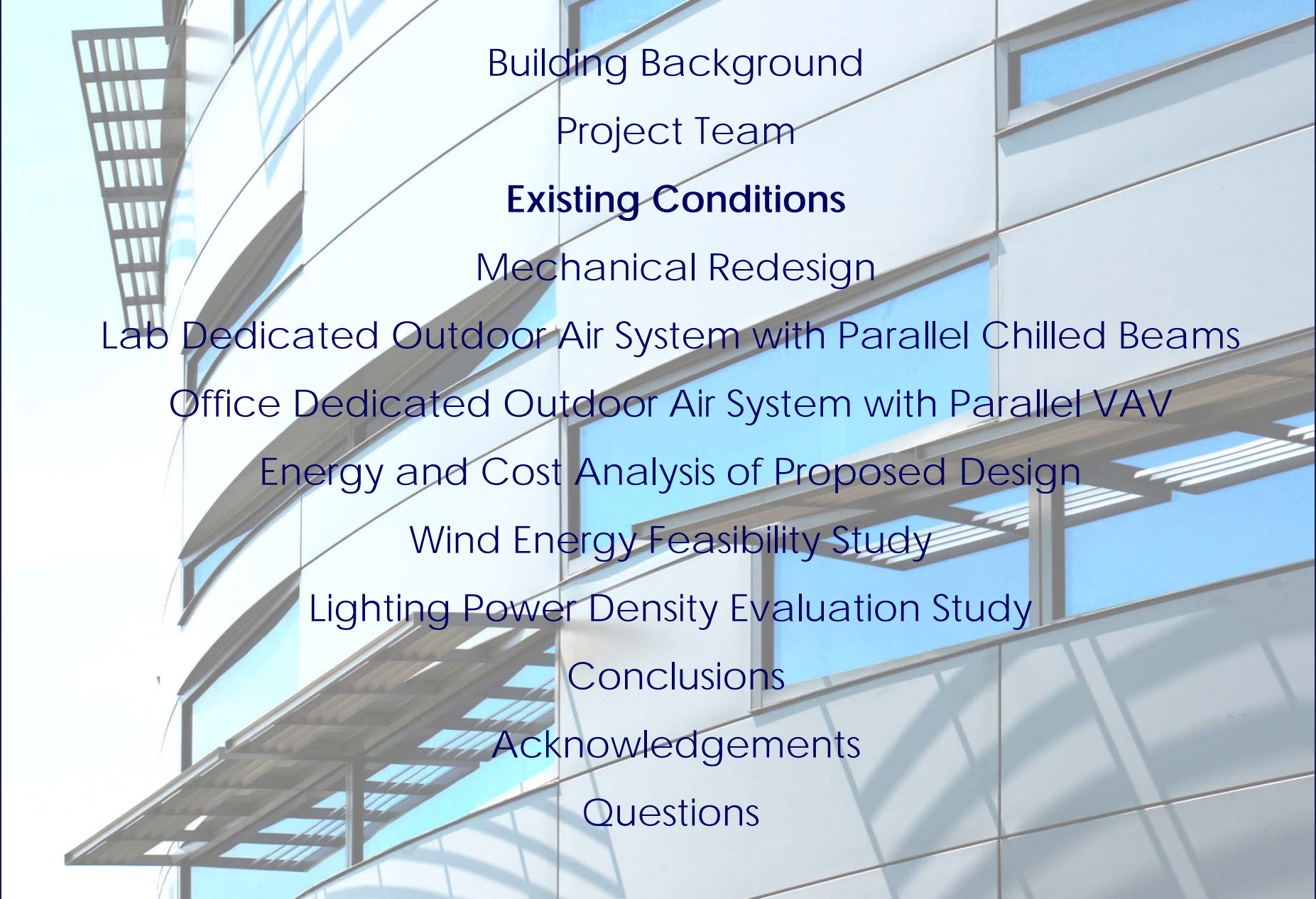
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Construction Manager:

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Merhdad Yazdani discussing the building plan design at HWI

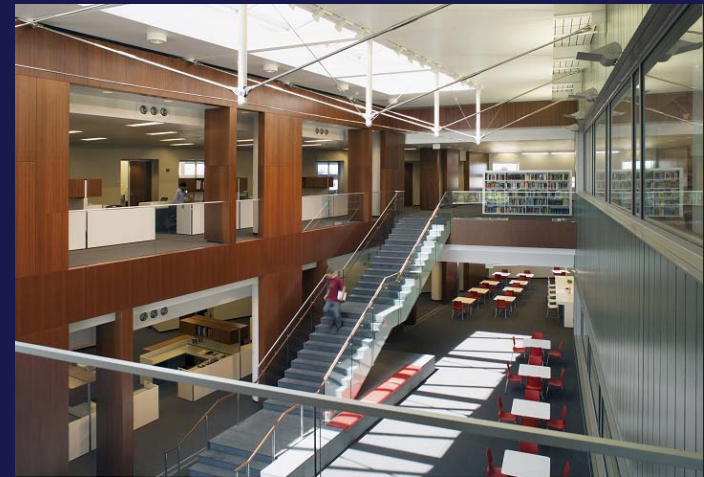
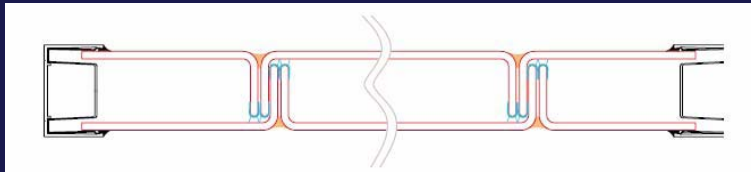


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Existing Conditions

Architecture

- Aluminum Curtain Wall with varied casement windows and solar shading
- Laboratory Fritted Glass wall Assembly



- 3 story central atrium unifying building

Existing Conditions

Lighting/Electrical Systems

- 480/277V 3phase, 4 Wire Primary
- 120V and 277V Luminaries provide task and accent lighting
- 1.46 W/ft² Lighting Power Density
- 450kW/563kVA Fuel-Fired Emergency Generator



Structural System

- 5" Slab-On-Grade Construction
- 4' poured concrete footings
- Structural Steel Building Skeleton
- Oversized members to provide rigidity
- King-Post Truss System in atrium provides roof and skylight support

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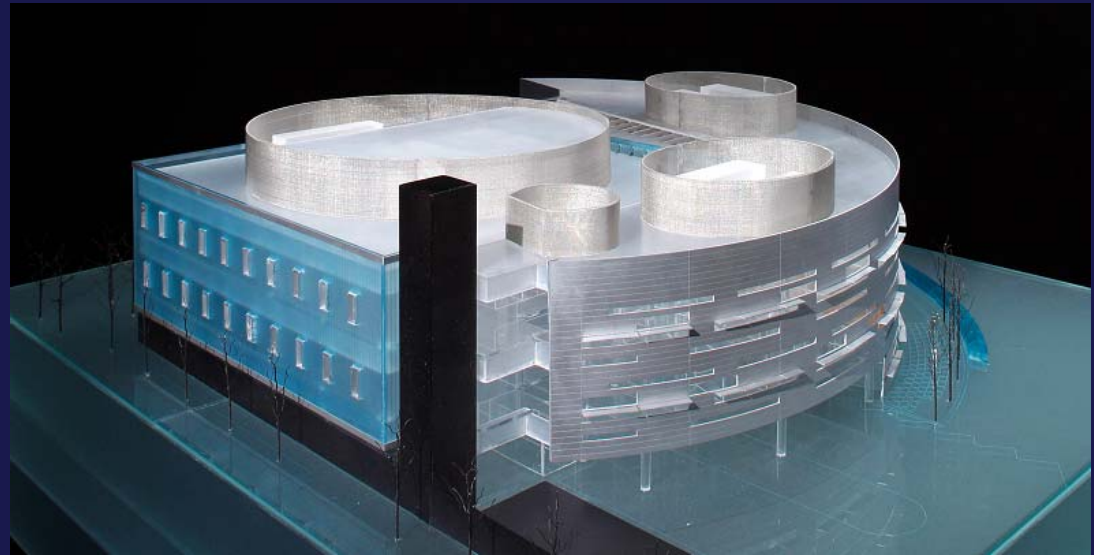
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Existing Conditions

Mechanical

- (2) DX Rooftop AHU's provide 42,000cfm to office
- (2) 100% Outdoor AHU's provide 58,000cfm to Lab
- (1) 300 Ton Air Cooled Screw Chiller for AHU Cooling Coils
- VAV Reheat for all Systems
- (6) 2,000 MBH Hot Water Boilers for building heat
- Laboratory Run-Around Heat Recovery Loop



Existing Conditions

Mechanical (cont'd)

- Dedicated Laboratory Exhaust System for hood contaminant control
- Atrium Smoke Exhaust System with linked exhaust and makeup air fans
- Design Air Conditions

Indoor Design Conditions				
	Summer		Winter	
	Occupied	Unoccupied	Occupied	Unoccupied
DBT (°F)	72	82	70	65
% RH	50	50	50	50





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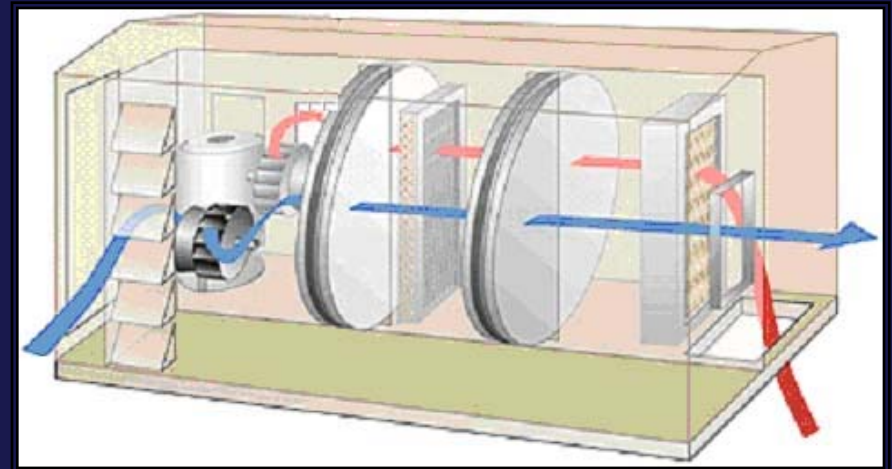
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Proposed Redesign

Dedicated Outdoor Air Systems

- Replace DX Units with DOAS System/Parallel VAV
- Replace 100% Outdoor Air Units with DOAS/Parallel Chilled Beams



Justification

- Reduced Required Mechanical Space
- Reduced First Cost
- Reduced Annual Utility Costs
- Improved Indoor Air Quality compared to DX Units
- Desiccant Wheels proven reliable in Laboratory Applications



Proposed Redesign

Parallel Systems

- VAV on Office Side
- Chilled Beams on Lab Side

Laboratory DOAS AHU

- 25 Ton Cooling Coil
- Desiccant Wheel Only
- 6500 cfm ventilation requirement

Office DOAS AHU

- 30 Ton Cooling Coil
- Enthalpy Wheel and Sensible Wheel
- 10,500 cfm ventilation requirement



SEMCO Dedicated Outdoor Air Handling Unit with Enthalpy and Sensible Wheels



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Laboratory System

- Exposed Ceilings in lab can easily accommodate chilled beams



Brand	Halton
Model	CPA-130/100-615
Cooling Capacity	510 [W/m]
Room Temp	72°F (22°C)
EWT	62°F (17°C)
ΔT	5°C
Length	1122 [mm]
Width	615 [mm]
Height	80 [mm]

DOAS Cooling Capacity:

$$Q_{SA} = 1.08 \times 6500 \text{ cfm} \times (72^\circ\text{F} - 62^\circ\text{F})$$

$$Q_{SA} = \mathbf{70,200 \text{ Btu/hr}}$$

Parallel System Cooling Capacity

$$Q_{PARALLEL} = Q_{SENSIBLE} - Q_{SA}$$

$$Q_{SENSIBLE} = 643,000 \text{ Btu/hr}$$

$$Q_{PARALLEL} = 643,000 - 70,200 \text{ Btu/hr} = 572,800 \text{ Btu/hr}$$

$$572,800 \text{ Btu/hr} \times 1\text{W}/3.4112 \text{ Btu/hr} = \mathbf{167,878\text{W}}$$

Total Beam Length: $167,878 \text{ W} / 510 \text{ W/m} = 329.2 \text{ m}$

of Beams = Total Length / Spec Beam Length

$$= 329.2 \text{ m} / 1.21 \text{ m}$$

= **272 Chilled Beams required**

Laboratory System

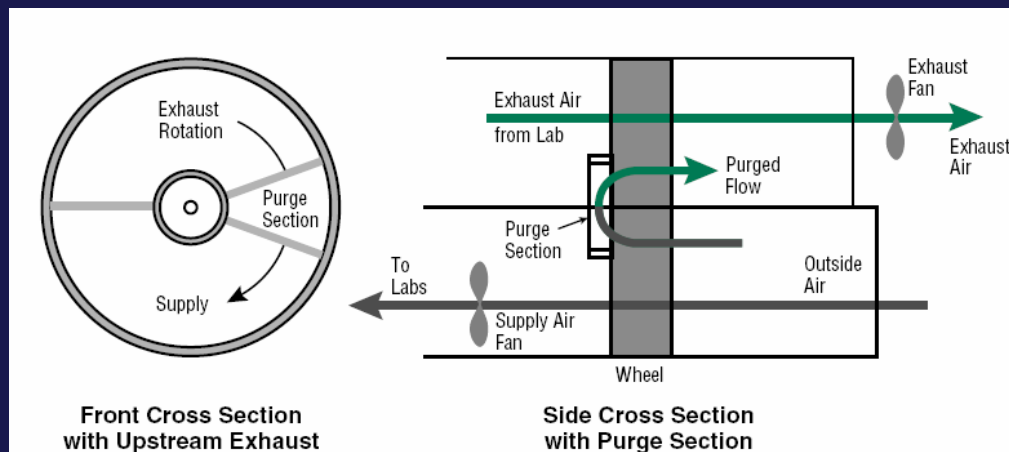
- Drastic reduction in supply air as compared to 100% outdoor air system

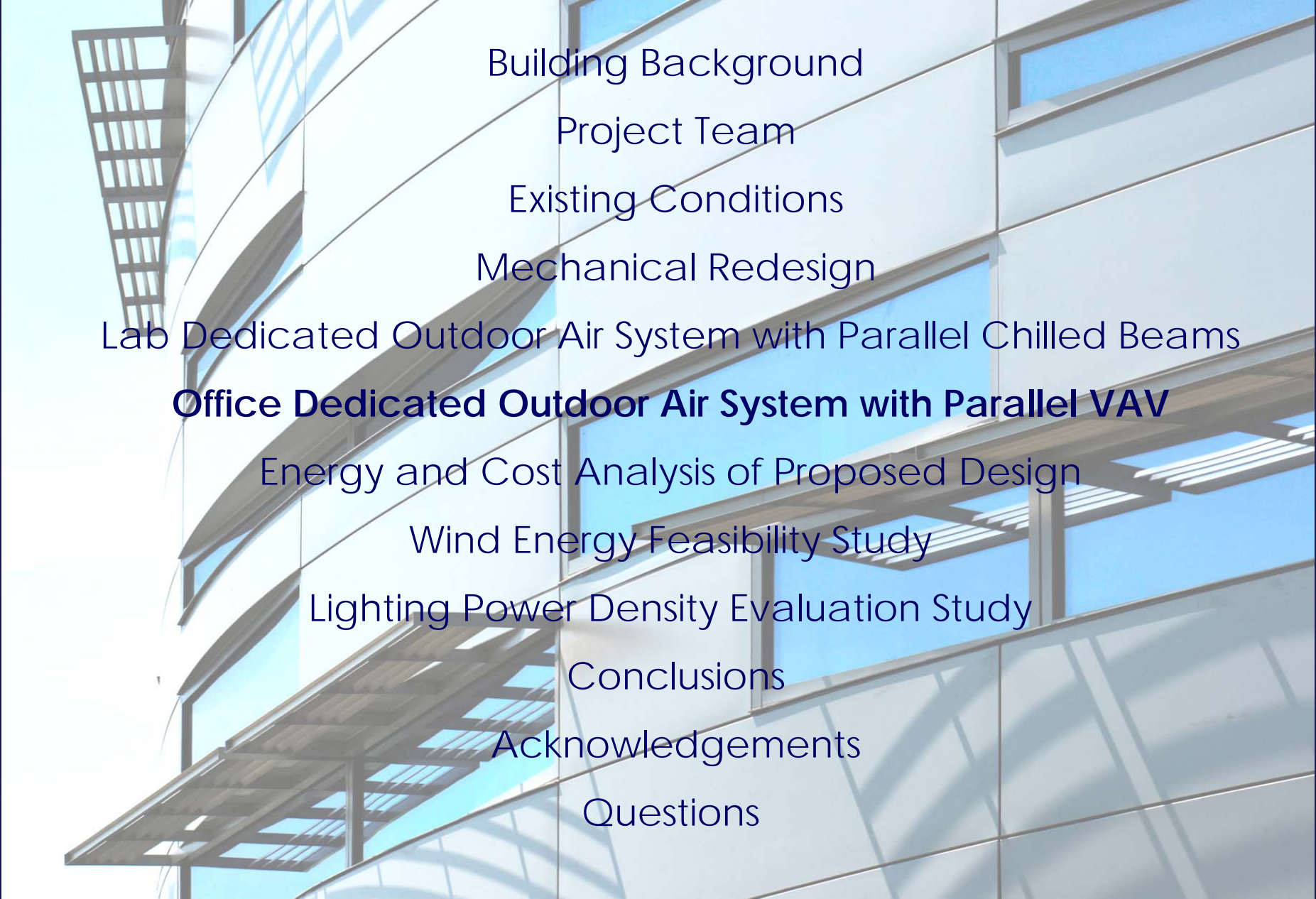
System	Existing SA (cfm)	Redesign SA (cfm)	Reduction (%)
AHU-1,2	58,000	9,400	83.8%



Contamination Issues?

- Wheel Purge section
- 3Å Molecular Sieve Desiccant provides “selective absorption”
- Johns Hopkins Ross Research Laboratory Case Study





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Office System

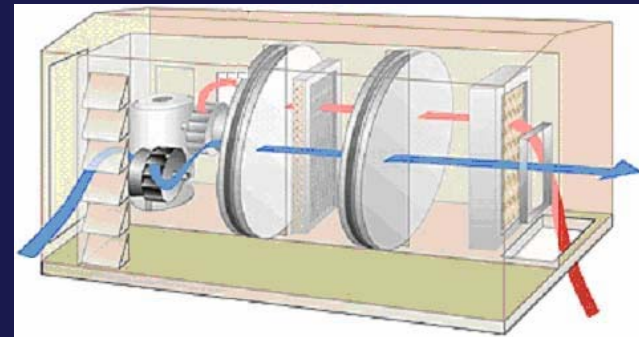
DOAS with Parallel VAV

- Convert Existing DX Systems to DOAS with Parallel VAV?



Required Supply air by Parallel VAV System based on Load

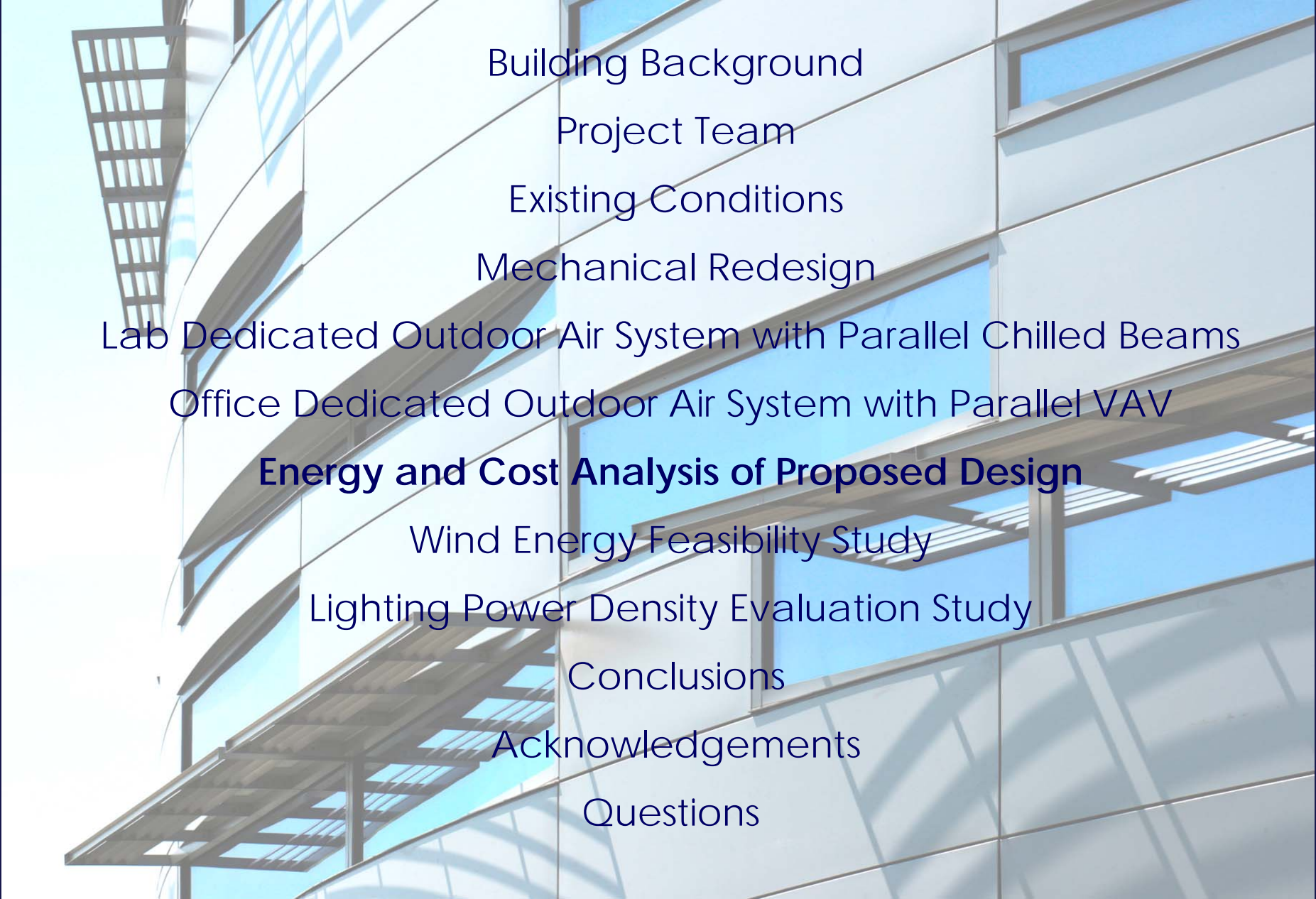
$$CFM_s = \frac{Q_s}{1.08 \times (T_{RA} - T_{SA})} = \frac{690,530 \text{ btu/hr}}{1.08 \times (72^\circ\text{F} - 55^\circ\text{F})} = 37,528 \text{ cfm}$$



Reduction of Parallel Systems

- 12% reduction in supply air with DOAS/Parallel VAV compared to DX Rooftop Units

System	Existing SA (cfm)	Redesign SA (cfm)	Reduction (%)
RTU-1	14,175	12,500	11.8%
RTU-2	28,300	25,000	11.7%
Total	42,475	37,528	11.6%



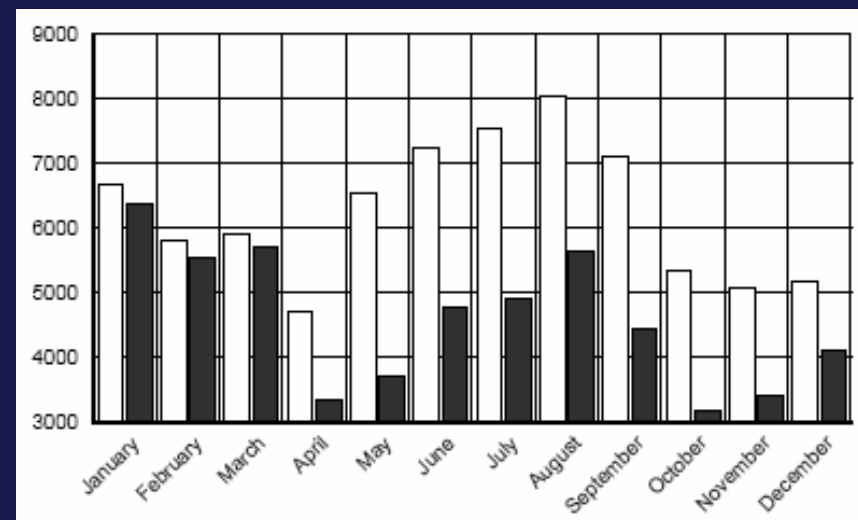
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Annual Energy Reduction

- Trane TRACE-700 Energy Analysis

	Original Design	Proposed Design	Savings	%
Cost (\$/yr)	75,166	55,069	20,097	26.74%
Consumption (kWh/yr)	2,116,058	1,581,585	534,473	25.26%

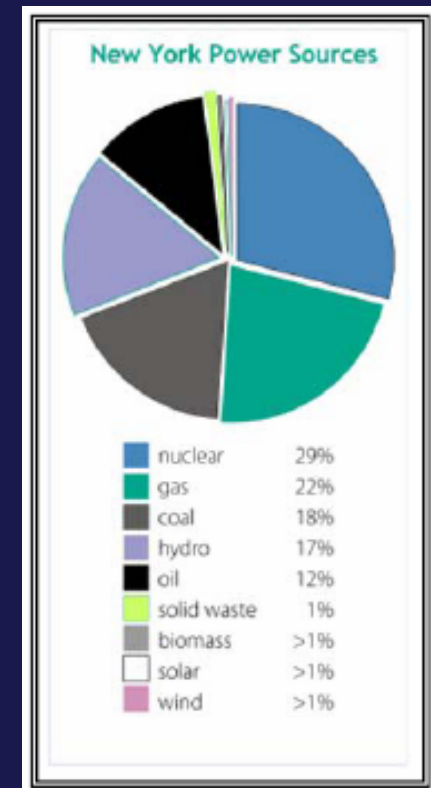
- Dedicated Outdoor Air Systems Reduce Load by approximately 25%.
- Reduced Life Cycle Cost of approximately 16% over 20 years with 5% inflation.



Emissions Reduction

- New York State Requires that 25% of generated power come from renewable sources by 2013.

	kWh	lbm Particulates	lbm SO ₂	lbm Nox	lbm CO ₂
Base	2,107,705	13,658	104,818	188,640	86,368,271
Redesign	1,859,199	12,048	92,460	166,399	76,185,141
% Reduction	11.79%	11.79%	11.79%	11.79%	11.79%

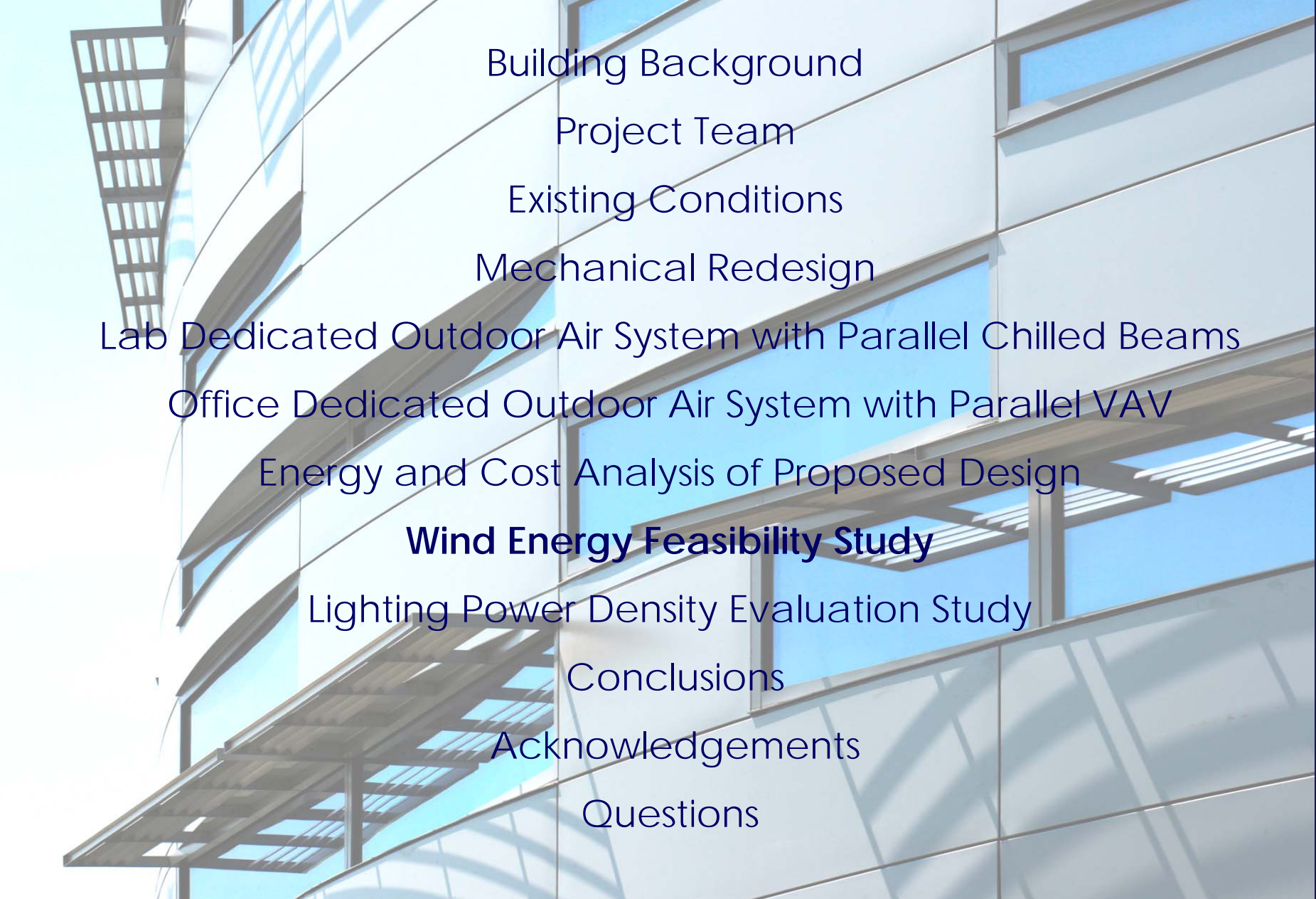


- Proposed redesign reduces emissions by approximately 12%.

First Cost Reduction

- R.S. Means Analysis
- The proposed system provided a reduced cost of \$248,173 as compared to the existing system

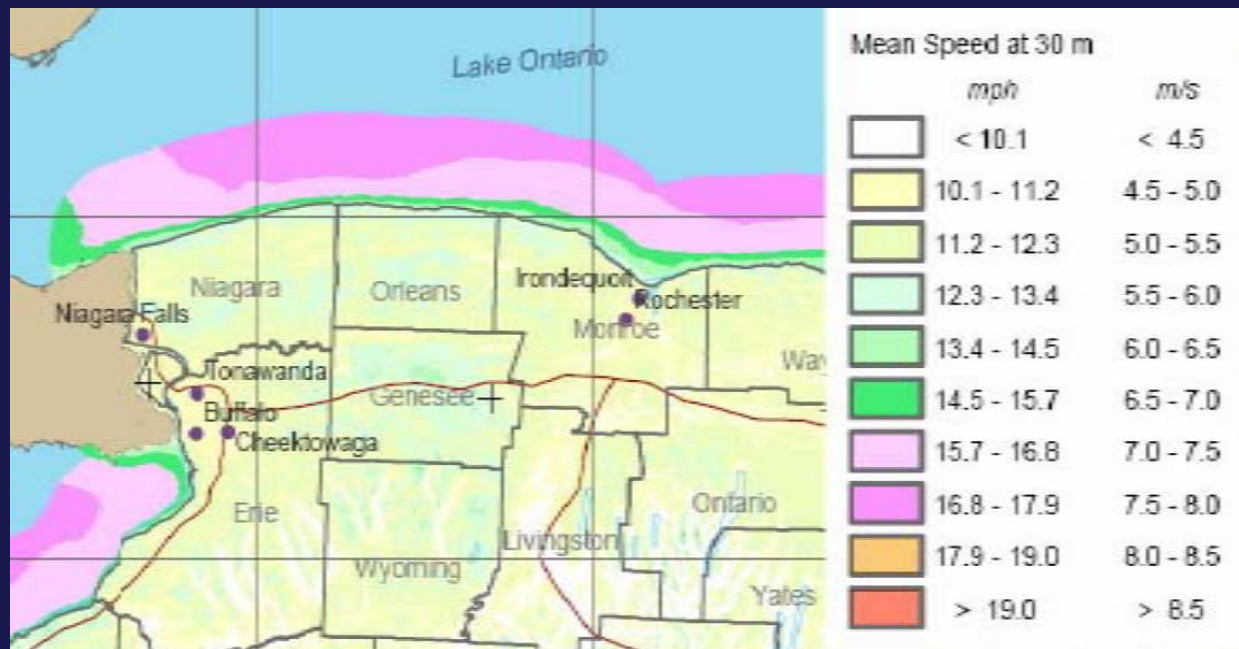
	Existing System	Proposed DOAS Systems
Chiller [tons]	300	150
Boilers [mbh]	10,200	5100
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AHU's	\$154,500	\$72,025
Chiller	\$163,500	\$97,500
Pumps (Primary)	\$10,850	\$5,150
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Boilers	\$21,000	\$10,500
Pumps (Boiler)	\$30,900	\$15,450
Parallel Systems		
VAV	\$137,770	\$98,070
Chilled Beams		\$187,000
Pumps (Parallel)		\$5,150
Piping (Parallel)		\$7,500
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Ductwork	\$304,000	\$78,000
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Totals:	\$822,520	\$574,345



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Wind Energy Feasibility

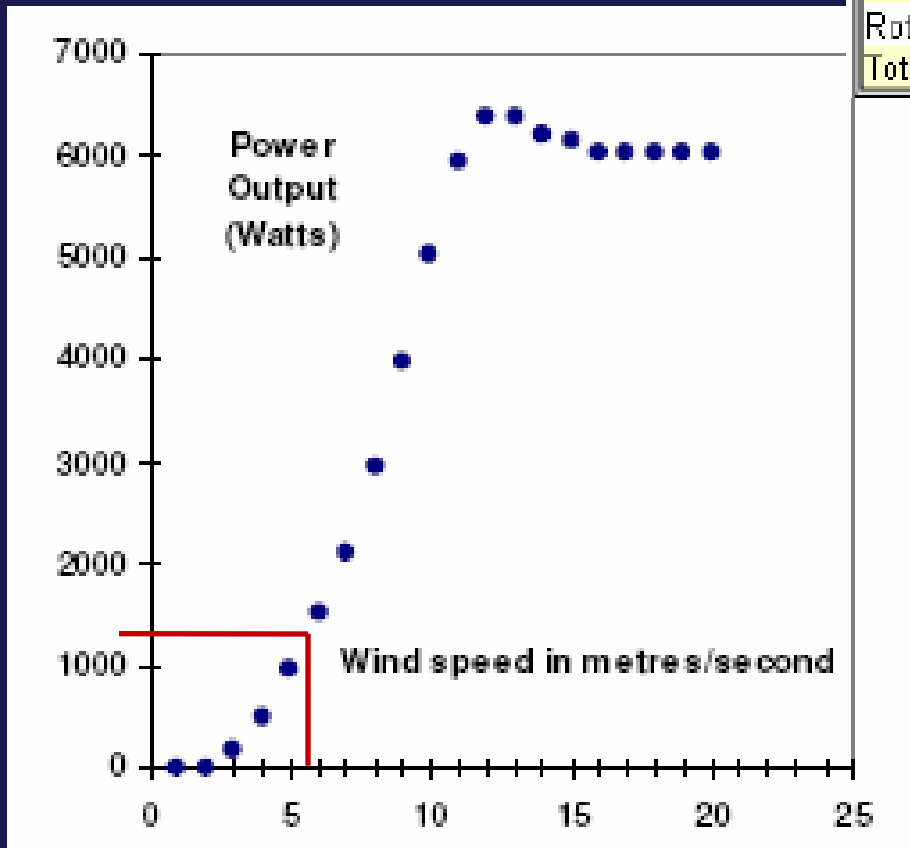
- 70% of total funding eligible to be subsidized by NYSERDA
- Area known for high winds, could be justifiable with state funding
- Wind Map



Wind Energy Feasibility

- PROVEN 6kW Turbine Output

Manufacturer	Proven Energy, Ltd.
Rated Output @ 12.5 m/s	6 kW
Rated Output @ 5.5 m/s (Buffalo, NY)	1 kW
Rotor Diameter	5.5m
Total Weight	860 kg



Wind Energy Feasibility

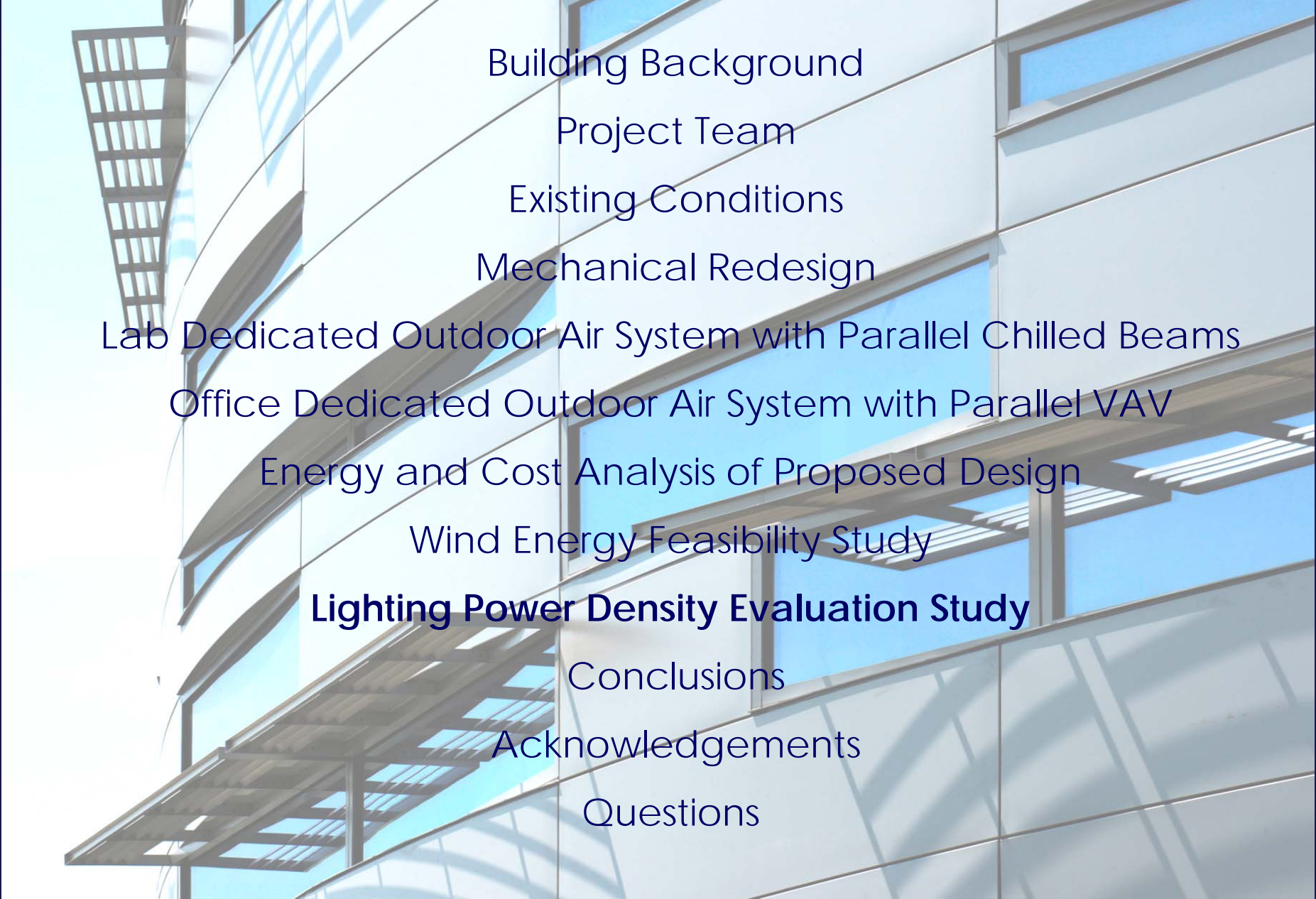
Proven 6kW Wind Turbine w/Grid Connect	\$18,160
Isolation and Rectification Controller	\$1,090
Tilt-up self-supporting mast (9m)	\$6,860
Total Cost per Turbine	\$26,110
Total Installed Cost	\$52,220
Total Cost with 70% NYSERDA discount	\$15,666

$$\text{Payback Period (years)} = \frac{\text{Initial Cost}}{\text{Annual Savings}}$$

Assume Annual Savings at Peak Electric Rate:

$$\text{Annual Savings} = 12,000 \text{ kWh} * \$0.0095/\text{kWh} = \$1,140$$

$$\text{Payback Period} = \frac{\$15,700}{\$1,140} = 14 \text{ years} = \text{POSSIBLE}$$

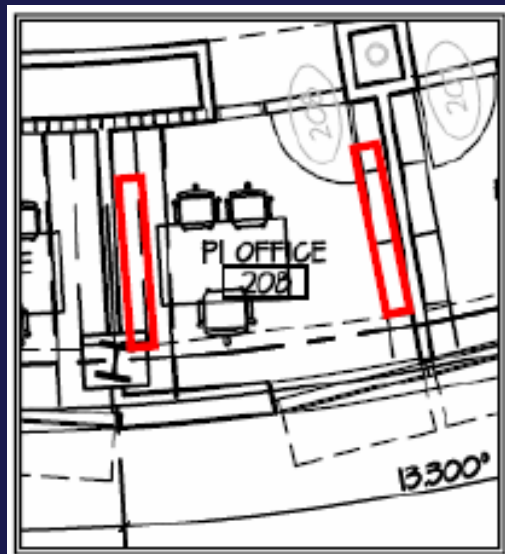


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Lighting Concerns

Proposed Scope

- Evaluate typical office lighting
- Retrofit Fixtures without Negative Impact
- 50 Private offices plus general office space



	Lamp	Watts	Length	Lumens (25°C)	2 lamp Fixture
Original	39W T5	39W	45.2'	3100	78W
Retrofit	28W T5	28W	45.2'	2900	58W

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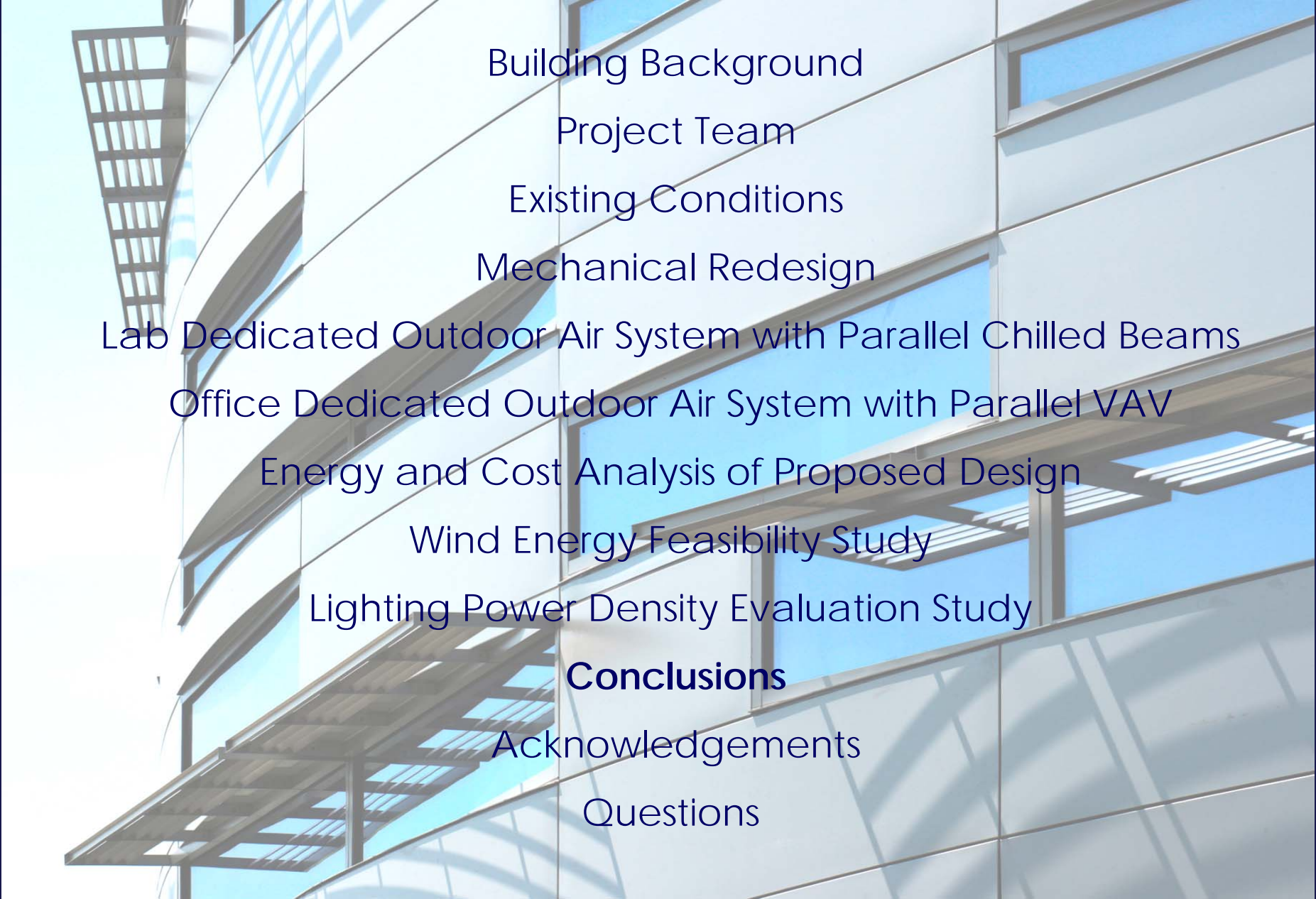
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Lighting Concerns

- Redesign implemented while preserving integrity of original design
- Higher initial bulb cost
- Reduction in Cooling Load by 2.95 tons
- Reduction in overall LPD from 1.48 W/ft² to 1.33 W/ft²
- **Cost Reduction**
 - Phillips F39T5/841/HO - \$9.99
 - Phillips F28W/T5/830 - \$8.50
- **Savings** \$1.49 x 200bulbs = **\$298 initial savings**

	W	LPD	Btu/hr
Original	108,040	1.46	368,653
Redesign	97,680	1.32	333,302
Difference			35,351
			2.95 ton





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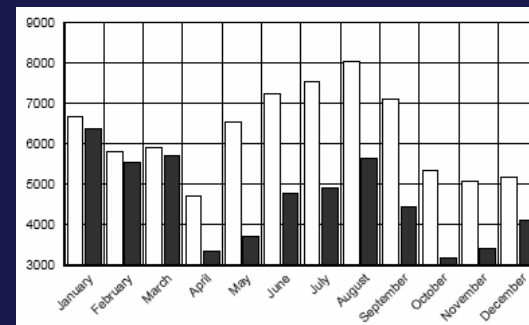
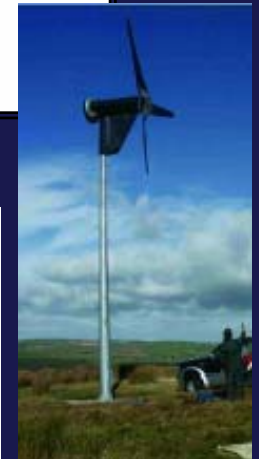
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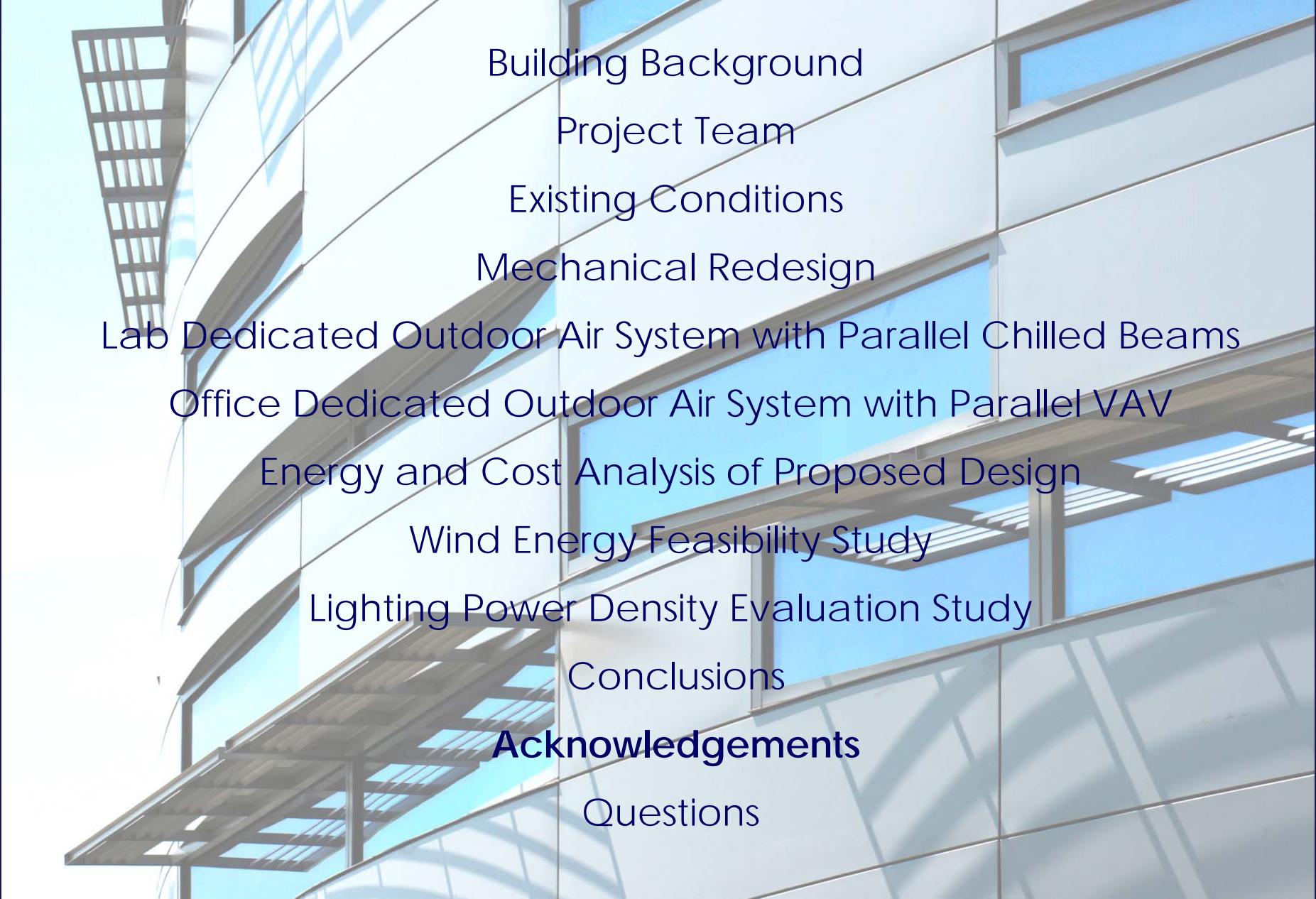
Summary

- Dedicated Outdoor Air Systems to replace DX and 100% OA VAV Units
- **Reduced Electrical Load** by 26% annually
- **Reduced annual utility Costs** by approx \$20,000/yr
- **Reduced Initial cost** of mechanical system by \$248,173
- **Wind Power** possible, with funding
- **Reduced Lighting Power Density** with reduced-watt bulbs saves energy and first costs

Recommendations

- Redesign considerations a viable alternative to existing design

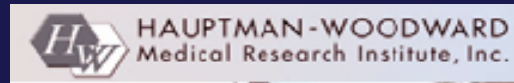




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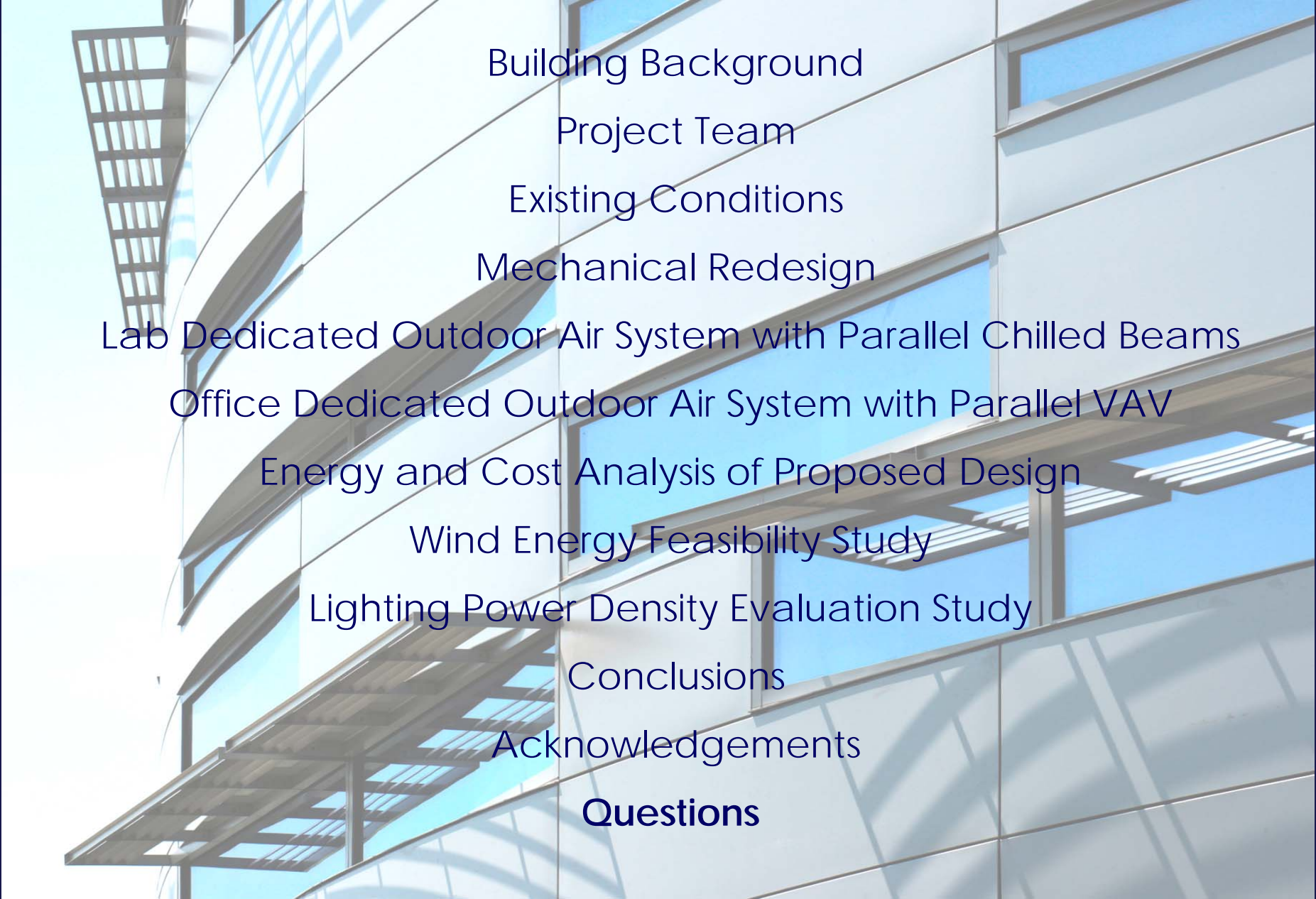
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